Fw: Meeting at Bellevue Fire Hall

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Gentlemen,

I attended the meeting at the Bellefonte Firehall last night. My takeaway is that you have not done your due diligence in researching all the facts – just we will do what California will do. Apparently, we are not smart enough to know what is best for us but you do. So, keep quiet and do as you are told. Personally, I prefer to make my own decisions after researching the facts, all the facts. I am sure you have research how lithium and cobalt is mined using the slave labor of children a young as 6 years old. If you go through with the mandate, you have told the world you are on board with how it is produced. You are on board with the destruction of the earth, turning it into a toxic wasteland, as long as it is on the other side and not in your back yard. Out of sight, out of mind. We saw pictures of children standing knee deep in toxic slurry pools digging out the rare earths with bear hands making \$1.20 a day. You appear to be okay with the company doing the mining being controlled by/connected to the CCP. While we are "greening the earth" on one side, it is being destroyed on the other. By the way, we learned last night the earth is greening all by itself. If we continue on this path we will be turned into California complete with its constant blackouts and brownouts. Wonder how that will sit with the people of Delaware, especially those that work outside, when on a very warm day, they come home from work looking forward to a cool house, a nice dinner and you have issued a mandate that says, "Don't use electricity between the hours of 4 and 10 p.m."? Okay, now that electric car can't be charged. How are they going to get to work tomorrow morning. The grid can't support what you want. Remember, it is the little things. They eventually add up to become big things.

In talking to those attending the meeting, the consensus of opinion was don't mandate us. Let the economy just do its thing. Some may want all electric, some may want hybrid, some may want gas. Technology is always evolving. I am sure you are aware we now have diesel trucks that use renewable diesel.

Do not go through with this mandate. People are leaving California and its mandates for other states. Your voters are Delawareans. We are not Californians and do not want to live like Californians.